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In Reply Refer To:

EA # F010-2011-254

August 30, 2011

Re: Middle Mesa Plan of Development Environmental Assessment

Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is providing you with an unsigned copy of the Environmental Assessment (EA), for William Production Company, LLC (Williams) Middle Mesa Plan of Development Proposed Project.

Williams has requested a modification to the seasonal closure Condition of Approval for the Middle Mesa portion of the William's Rosa Unit. The proposed project would be located within the BLM designated Middle Mesa Wildlife Specially Designated Area (SDA).

The enclosed document serves as notice of the environmental analysis process to fulfill the requirement of the National Environmental Policy Act. A 20 work-day public comment period will begin on August 30, 2011 and end September 29, 2011. If you are interested in participating in the process and have concerns, issues or alternatives you would like to see addressed, we request you respond by supplying your written or e-mail comments to:

Address: Maureen Joe, Project Manager

Middle Mesa Plan of Development

Bureau of Land Management Farmington Field Office

1235 La Plata Highway, Suite A

Farmington, NM 87401

E-mail: maureen_joe@blm.gov

(Please add "Middle Mesa POD" in the subject line)

The EA will be available on the Farmington BLM homepage at

http://www.blm.gov/nm/Farmington. Your comments are important and will be considered in the final environmental analysis process. Please note that public comments submitted for this review, including names, e-mail addresses, and street addresses of the respondents will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name, e-mail address, or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this plainly at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from

organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact Maureen Joe at (505) 599-8972.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary Torres Farmington Field Manager

1 Enclosure